Financial crisis of PGCIL

3658. SHRIRAMDASAGARWAL:
SHRI DARA SINGH: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL), the country's largest power transmission utility, is facing a financial crunch and has asked for funds from the World Bank and the Asian Development Bank;

(b) if so, the amount of loan sought for by PGCIL, indicating the funds required, project-wise and location-wise;

(c) whether any MoU has been signed with the Asian Development Bank and the World Bank, and how this loan would be paid back; and

(d) whether Government has chalked out any plan to ensure that "Power for all" would be supplied by the end of the current Five Year Plan, indicating the States which are facing major power crisis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH): (a) and (b) No, Sir, the Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) is not facing any financial crisis.

The PGCIL has envisaged an investment plan of Rs. 55,000 Crore for implementation of various transmission projects during XI Plan (FY 2007-2012). This investment is planned to be funded from Internal Resources (Rs. 16,500 Crore), and debt from domestic funding agencies (Rs. 23,500 Crore) & multilateral funding agencies (Rs. 15,000 Crore).

To fund the XI Plan project, the PGCIL has proposed to avail a loan amount of US$ 1600 million (Rs. 6400 Crore) from the World Bank and Asian Development Bank (ADB) by Financial Year 2008-09.

Details of transmission projects along with project-wise fund requirement from The World Bank and ADB is given in the Statement *(See* below).

(c) A loan agreement for US$ 1000 million (Rs. 4000 Crore) has already been signed with The World Bank (US$ 600 million) and ADB (US$ 400 million) on March 28, 2008 for implementing various transmission projects of the PGCIL. Loan assistance of US$ 600 million (Rs. 2400 Crore) from the World Bank (US$ 400 million) and from ADB (US$ 200 million) shall be finalized in Financial. Year 2008-09. The terms and conditions of the loan agreement provide for the loan repayment in 15 years or 20 years after an initial 5 years of grace period from the date of signing the loan. The loan installment including interest is paid by the PGCIL from revenue earned.

(d) Yes, Sir. The Central Electricity Authority has assessed that for elimination of shortages and achieving the goal of "Power for all" by 2012, capacity addition to the tune of about 1,00,000 MW is required during the X and XI PLan. A capacity addition of 78,577 MW has been proposed during the XI Plan, out of which 9263 MW has been commissioned by 31.3.2008 and another 62,847 MW is under execution. Monitoring mechanism has been stepped up for monitoring the progress and resolving bottlenecks, if any, in completion of these projects in the XI Plan.

Statement

Details of transmission projects along with project wise fund requirement from world Bank and ADB

All Figures in Rs. Crore

Name of the Project	Total approved Cost	Funding under loan from The World Bank
Transmission system associated with Barh project	3160	1180
Sipat-II supplementary transmission system	814 .	0
North-West Transmission Corridor strengthening scheme	483	40
East-West Transmission Corridor strengthening scheme	804	252
Western Region System Strengthening Scheme-Il	5221	2160
Eastern Region System Strengthening Scheme-I	976	368
GRAND TOTAL	11458	4000

Funding of projects under the new loan from ADB

Name of the Project	Tentative Cost	Proposed funding under loan from ADB
Transmission system associated with Tehri Pumped Storage Plant	1589	1140
North Eastern-Northern/Eastern Region Interconnector- I Project	9962	1260
GRAND TOTAL	11551	2400

Targets for power generation

3659. SHRI DARA SINGH:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has failed to achieve the target set for power generation during 8th, 9th and 10th Five Year Plans;

(b) what was the target set for capacity addition against each of the above mentioned Plan, indicating the exact achievement/capacity-addition, in megawatts, made during those Plans; and